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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

Ger Van den Engh

Application Number:

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Examiner:

Ludlow, J.

For:

Flow Cytometer Droplet Formation System

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

On behalf of the applicant, the undersigned attorney hereby requests an extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). This request is submitted in relation to a response due to the office action mailed June 18, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response of three months. A response to this action on the merits would otherwise be due September 18, 2003; however, it is requested that this time period be extended for two months to and including November 18, 2003. This extension will thereby encompass five months of the statutory period of six months pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 133. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, an extension fee of \$420.00 is included with this Petition and the accompanying response. In the event the fee has been inappropriately calculated,

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Respectfully submitted,

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